

FISCAL NOTE

HB 367 - SB 687

February 19, 2001

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires the Department of Health to study obesity and to evaluate the effectiveness of different methods of treatment. The department is authorized to fund the research from gifts, grants or donations and to report to the General Assembly by March 1, 2002. The bill creates an earmarked *Obesity Study and Prevention Fund*.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - Exceeds \$100,000
\$250,000 One Time

Estimate assumes:

- the cost of contracting the study to a research university will be at least \$250,000. Such estimate is based upon other similar studies that the Department of Health has contracted with universities to perform.
- the recurring cost associated with the Obesity Study and Prevention Fund cannot be determined but is estimated to exceed \$100,000. To the extent that the Department of Health could obtain other sources of funding, the state contribution would be reduced.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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